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Incoming Sixth Grade Reading List

-  ***The Invention of Hugo Cabret*** by Brian Selznick (visual media)
-  ***The Young Man and the Sea*** by Rodman Philbrick (realistic fiction)
-  ***The Lost Hero*** by Rick Riordan (mythological fiction series)
-  ***Dead End in Norvelt*** by Jack Gantos (Newbery Medal Winner 2012)
-  ***Harris and Me: A Summer Remembered*** by Gary Paulsen (historical fiction)
-  ***I Lived on Butterfly Hill*** by Marjorie Agosin (historical fiction)
-  ***Serafina and the Black Cloak*** by Robert Beatty (mystery)
-  ***The Incredible Journey*** by Sheila Burnford (classic)
-  ***Every Soul a Star*** by Wendy Mass
-  ***The Land I Lost: Adventures of a Boy in Vietnam*** by Quang Huynh (autobiography)
-  ***Parrots Over Puerto Rico*** by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore
-  ***The Longitude Prize*** by Joan Dash (non-fiction)
-  ***The Pinballs*** by Betsy Byars (realistic fiction)
-  ***Goddess of Yesterday*** by Caroline Cooney (fiction)
-  ***The Tale of the Mandarin Ducks*** by Katherine Paterson (folktale)
-  ***13 Gifts*** by Wendy Moss (humorous fiction)
-  **Books of your choice!**

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